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LIST OF CURRENT CLAIMS

1-3. (Canceled)

4. (Previously presented) A light control film having a rough surface pattern defining, for each cross-section perpendicular to a base plane of the film, a profile curve along an edge contoured by the rough surface pattern, wherein for substantially all cross-sections perpendicular to a base plane of the film the profile curve has an average of absolute values of slope to said base plane θ_{ave} and has a ratio Lr =L2/L1 of the length L2 of said profile curve to the length L1 of a straight line defined by intersection of said base plane and the cross-section satisfy the following:

$$\theta_{\text{ave}} \div \text{Lr} \ge 20 \text{ and}$$

25 < $\theta_{\text{ave}} \times \text{Lr} \le 60$.

5. (Previously presented) A light control film including a surface layer of a material having a refractive index n, said surface layer having a rough surface pattern defining, for each cross-section perpendicular to a base plane of the film, a profile curve along an edge contoured by the rough surface pattern, wherein for substantially all cross-sections perpendicular to a base plane of the film, the profile curve has an average of absolute values of slope of the profile curve to said base plane θ_{ave} and has a ratio Lr=L2/L1 of the length L12 of said profile curve to the length L1 of a straight line defined by the intersection of said base plane and the cross sections satisfy the following Formula:

$$\theta_{ave} \div Lr \times n^2 \ge 40$$
 and $50 \le \theta_{ave} \times Lr \times n^2 \le 135$.

6-9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) A backlight device comprising a light guiding plate, at least one light source located at an edge thereof, said light guiding plate having a light

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emergent surface approximately orthogonal to said edge, and a light control film

according to claim 5 4 located on the light emergent surface of said light guiding plate.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) A backlight device comprising a light control film

according to claim 5 +, a light source, and a light diffusing material between said light

source and said light control film.

13-18. (Canceled)

19. (New) A backlight device comprising a light guiding plate, at least one light

source located at an edge thereof, said light guiding plate having a light emergent surface

approximately orthogonal to said edge, and a light control film according to claim 4

located on the light emergent surface of said light guiding plate.

20. (New) A backlight device comprising a light control film according to claim

4, a light source, and a light diffusing material between said light source and said light

control film.

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